

## RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT AREA



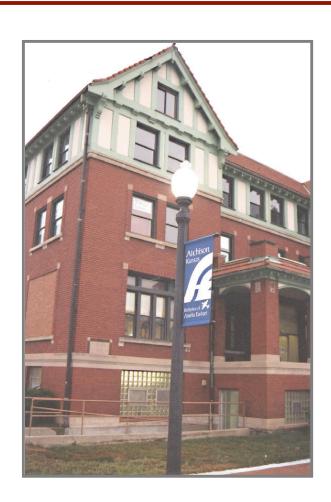
### How it All Began

In 1996 the Atchison community completed a comprehensive strategic plan, which identified the downtown/riverfront area as the #1 priority for development. The area has the greatest concentration of historically, architecturally and culturally significant structures and sites and is the focus of efforts to improve Atchison's image.

# COMMERCIAL STREET CORRIDOR PROJECT

- Injected over \$1.5 million
- Implemented facade improvement program
- Purchased a dilapidated historic structure
- Purchased key abandoned commercial property





### RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE

- Prime goals of the master plan
  - Extend the retail district to the riverfront
  - Enhance the role of commercial activity
  - Treat the entire area as one unified district
  - Utilize existing historic buildings in the overall redevelopment plan

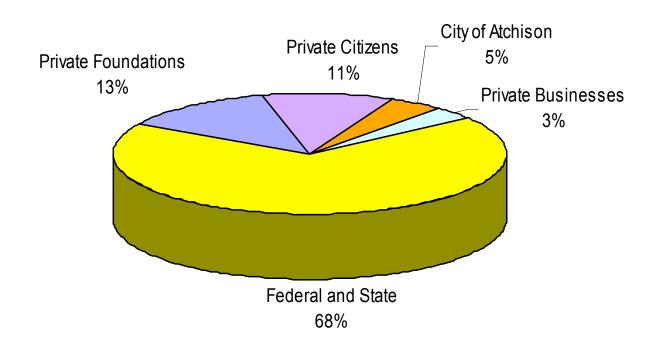


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- Accomplished donation of railroad property in 2001
- KDHE BTA Projects (2)
- Addressed Brownfields issues regarding the perceived or actual environment impairment
- Approved site plan and secured design funding (2002)
- Initiated construction (2003)
- Conducted fundraising efforts (2002-2004)



## RIVERFRONT PROJECT FUNDING



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#### **Breakdown of Federal and State Agencies**

**Total Federal and State Agencies** 

Federal DOT Congressional Earmark - through KDOT	1,000,000.00
<b>KDOT Transportation Enhancement Program</b>	604,821.00
<b>Economic Development Administration</b>	409,100.00
Kansas Dept. of Wildlife and Parks	300,000.00
<b>HUD EDI Special Project Congressional Earmark</b>	281,657.00
EPA Brownfields Assessment	200,000.00
Kansas Water Office	50,000.00

2,845,578.00

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Breakdown by Source of Funding	<u>Dollar</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Federal and State Agencies	2,845,578.00	68.4%
Private Foundations	532,500.00	12.8%
Private Citizens	447,130.00	10.7%
City of Atchison	192,322.00	4.6%
Private Businesses	143,328.00	3.4%
Total Injection	4,160,858.00	100.0%

### **ELEMENTS OF BROWNFIELDS PROJECT**

- Reduce threats to human health and the environment
- Utilize existing infrastructure
- Create green space, seating, and landscaped open areas to beautify historic Atchison
- Capitalize on tourism



















### **RIVERFRONT AWARDS**

#### **IESNA**

Illuminating Engineering Society of North America – Award of Merit

#### **ASLA**

American Society of Landscape Architects – Merit Award for Built Projects to HNTB Corp.

#### APA

American Planning Association – 2005 Outstanding Planning Award for Special Community Initiative

#### **ABC**

Associated Builders and Contractors Inc. – 2004 Excellence in Construction Award

American Council of Engineering Companies of Kansas – 2004 Kansas City Public Improvement Award

Atchison Area Chamber of Commerce – 2005 Award of Excellence

### WHAT'S NEXT FOR RIVERFRONT??

- Designate areas to develop
- Work with existing and new businesses



# RIVERFRONT POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT



# **NEW CONSTRUCTION ON THE RIVERFRONT**



# MGPI CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS





Approx. cost: \$2.2 million

# MGPI TECHNICAL CENTER



Approx. cost: \$2.5 million













Deteriorating Walking Surfaces and Curbing





Poor Drainage Issues



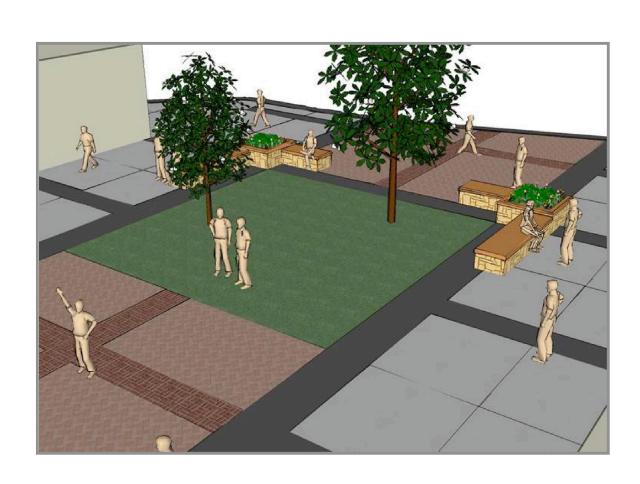
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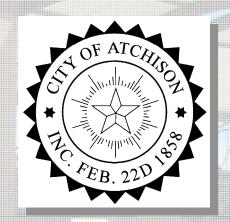


Poor Condition of Seating









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